
COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

November 25, 2014

The ongoing sturgeon set-line fishery in The Dalles Pool was extended through the remainder of the year. The following table reflects the current season:

<i>Treaty Commercial Sturgeon Setline Fishery</i>	
Season:	Immediately through 11:59 PM December 31, 2014
Gear:	Setline Gear only. Fishers are encouraged to use circle hooks and avoid J-hooks. It is unlawful to use setline gear with more than 100 hooks per set line, with hooks less than the minimum size of 9/0, with treble hooks, without visible buoys attached, and with buoys that do not specify operator and tribal identification.
Area:	SMCRA 1G (The Dalles Pool).
Sanctuaries:	Standard sanctuaries applicable to setline gear.
Allowable Sales:	White sturgeon only (43-54 inch fork length). Sturgeon within the size limits and caught in platform and hook and line fishery in this area may be sold if caught during the open periods of the set line fishery.
Additional Rules:	<p>It is unlawful to sell, barter, or attempt to sell or barter sturgeon eggs that have been removed from the body cavity of a sturgeon prior to sale of the sturgeon to a wholesale dealer licensed under chapter RCW 75.28, or to sell or barter sturgeon eggs at retail. It is unlawful to deliver to a wholesale dealer licensed under chapter RCW 75.28 any sturgeon that are not in the round with the head and tail intact.</p> <p>24-hour quick reporting required for Washington wholesale dealers, per WAC 220-69-240, except that landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket. Submission of a report is not complete until the report arrives at the designated department location.</p> <p>Reports can be made via fax at 360-906-6776 or 360-906-6777; via e-mail at crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov; or via phone at 1- 866-791-1281.</p> <p>Faxing or reporting electronically in portable document format (PDF) a copy of each fish receiving ticket used, within the previously indicated time frames specified per area, satisfies the quick reporting requirement.</p>

- No Columbia River Compacts are currently scheduled.